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Joseph Lief to receive Gilbert Greenberg Award

By Cynthia Nyman Engel

Joseph Lief and his boyhood chums used to sell raffle tickets to raise money to buy uniforms for their ball team, the Sons of Israel.

"Those teams were the beginning of the Jewish Men's Softball League," the prominent Ottawa lawyer says, smiling at the recollection. "That was a long, long time ago."

Lief went on to do much more than play softball for the Ottawa Jewish community. The young man who also sang in synagogue choirs and served a term as AZA's Aleph Godol, grew up to become president of both his synagogue and his community. And, all along the way, he gave unstintingly of his time, energy and wisdom to countless community boards and committees.

In recognition of his lifetime of commitment to the Ottawa Jewish community, Joseph Lief, Q.C., has been named to receive the Gilbert Greenberg Distinguished Service Award for 1997.

The designation of Lief as this year's awardee was announced by Lawrence Greenberg, president of the Jewish Community Council and Dr. Bernard Dolansky, chair of the selection committee.

The award is the highest tribute which the Ottawa Jewish community can bestow on an individual for exceptional service over the course of many years. Initiated in 1980, it bears the name of the last Past President Gilbert Greenberg, who exemplified the qualities of leadership which the award seeks to recognize.

The formal presentation to Joseph Lief will be made at the Annual Meeting of the Community on Wednesday evening, June 4. The meeting marks the 63rd anniversary of the founding of the Jewish Community Council/Vaad Ha'Tr.

The youngest child of Bernard and Esther Malca Lief was born in Ottawa in 1917 into a home steeped in Judaism. His father taught classes at the Talmud

Torah; his mother tended to her flock of seven spirited children, Abe, Louis, Hyman, Max, Bess, Morris and Joseph.

Gifted with a strong baritone singing voice, at age 10 Lief became a member of the Agudath Achim Congregational Choir led by Cantor Dorskind. As a lad of 12, he was performing as cantor for the Talmud Torah student congregation's Friday evening services. Lief's fine voice enhanced congregational choirs for over 40 years, most recently in the Agudath Israel Synagogue Choir under the direction of Cantor David Aptowitzer.

He was a member of the Jewish Community Choral Group under Cantor Joseph Rabin and participated in fundraising carnivals and the popular minstrel shows staged at Hadaasah-WIZO charity benefits in the 1930s and early 1940s.

Joseph Lief's longstanding affiliation with the B'nai Brith Organization began

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Joseph Lief

Laurie Shusterman chosen Freiman Award winner

By Cynthia Nyman Engel

Three years ago, in response to a *Bulletin* article seeking volunteer trainees, Laurie Shusterman attended a meeting of the Young Women's Leadership Council.

"I knew perhaps two of the 45 people who turned up at that first meeting. The other 42 all seemed to know each other very well," Shusterman laughs.

"I remember wanting to dissolve," she says, "but I persevered. I forced myself to go to the next meeting, and the next. And at every meeting I'd get to know someone else."

These days Laurie Shusterman knows a whole lot of people and this June, in recognition of her outstanding service to the Ottawa Jewish community over the past three years, she will receive the 1997 Freiman Family Young Leadership Award.

Established in 1988, the Freiman Family Young Leadership Award recognizes a member of the Ottawa Jewish community

under the age of 40 who has contributed actively to the Jewish community in the two or more years following his/her participation in the Young Leadership Development Program.

The award will be presented to Laurie Shusterman at the 63rd Annual Meeting of the Ottawa Jewish Community on Wednesday, June 4.

Ottawa native Shusterman, 38, is a relative newcomer to both Judaism and the Jewish community. Catholic by birth, in her mid-20s she became curious about Judaism, liked what she learned and within two years had undergone conversion.

"Lorne and I met and were married after I had converted," she explains. "He's a Torontonian so both of us knew virtually no one in the Ottawa Jewish community."

"Our lives always have centered around our synagogue. I felt that joining the Young Women's Council would give me the opportunity to meet even more people,



Laurie Shusterman

get more involved in the extended Jewish community and, through that, widen our children's circle of Jewish friends.

"I realized that if I don't feel comfortable in the extended community, how will they?"

Shusterman's upbeat personality, sunny disposition and infectious enthusiasm soon won many fans among her sister students as they learned everything the

indepth Council program had to teach them.

In 1996, while still a trainee, Laurie served on the committee of five, chaired by Marla Spergel, which brought the Ottawa Jewish community together in a never-to-be-forgotten Gala Evening of Celebration held at the Centrepointe Theatre.

"We wanted to show that the Young Women's Leadership Council was more than just a group of pretty faces," Shusterman says. "We wanted to bring all ages and stages of the community together to share in a good time. We did it, and, at the same time we raised \$18,000 for the community."

Laurie, who steps down as 1996 chair of the Young Women's Leadership Council in June, completed her tenure in office with a 'Tour de Vaad' held in conjunction with the Men's Leadership Development Program.

"We followed the example set by the Vaad last year, hired a bus and made a city-wide tour of all the Jewish community's beneficia-

ry agencies," she says. "Our primary goal is to educate people on understanding and dealing with community issues."

An active member of Temple Israel, Shusterman chairs the House Committee and sits on the congregation's Outreach Committee and Board of Directors. This fall, she will also chair 'Connections' an annual evening for women sponsored by UJA Women's Division.

In addition to her communal commitment, Shusterman, a designated Real Property Administrator (RPA), works full time in the Commercial Department of Ron Engineering.

The energetic Shusterman has the highest praise for the Young Women's Leadership Council program.

"There are so many opportunities out there," she says. "Anyone who says it's hard to become involved simply hasn't tried."

Laurie and Lorne Shusterman have two sons, Zachary, 10 and Benjamin, eight.

COMMENTARY

Yasher koach to Vaad officers for a job well done



VAAD REPORT

LAWRENCE GREENBERG
PRESIDENT, VAAD HA'IR

Being an officer of the Ottawa Vaad Ha'ir is a tremendous responsibility and a significant commitment of time, energy, patience, and dedication. The officers have tackled difficult and challenging issues during their term of office over the past two years, while always attempting to ensure that their recommendations were in the community's best interest. I appreciated their involvement in the business of the Vaad, their passion for the Jewish community and their advice.

Bernie Dolansky sat as an officer as immediate past president. Despite the fact that his official responsibilities with the community were coming to an end, Bernie remained extremely committed. We regularly called upon his sound judgement and his ability to help us see through complicated matters. He is very skillful at chairing meetings, something which he demonstrated once again as co-chair of the CDC. We have learned a great deal from Bernie

over the years and know that his insightful input will be missed.

Barbara Farber held the position of first vice-president and worked very closely with the officers dealing with very sensitive and important issues. One of her greatest strengths is her compassion for the Jewish community and for people in general. The officers benefited from the fact that she has wonderful interpersonal skills and is an accomplished negotiator. We are lucky to have her involved in our community's affairs.

Stephen Greenberg served as second vice-president. Few people work harder for our community than Stephen. His business skills have been extremely beneficial to the community in his role as co-chair of the CDC where he has been intimately involved with every aspect of the campus project. He has constantly shown reasoned judgement and his primary concern has always been the betterment of the Jewish community of Ottawa.

Arnie Vered has been our community's treasurer. He has incredible commitment to the Jewish community. As treasurer he has worked hard at ensuring that our community's financial affairs are well managed. He has always been available to tackle some of the most difficult issues facing our community. As a testament to his commitment and despite the fact that he had already taken on many respon-

sibilities, he volunteered to serve as deputy chair of this year's UJA campaign and will be next year's General Campaign chair. We would benefit from many more people who share Arnie's passion for the Jewish community.

Sunny Tavel held the position of honorary secretary. Sunny believes strongly in the future of the Jewish community and has always been willing to serve when called upon. She truly has her heart in volunteer work and has a deep love for our community and for Jews around the world. We have been impressed by Sunny's empathy, warmth and her genuine desire to help our community.

The officers as a group exhibited outstanding commitment, warmth and compassion for those in need and constant concern for securing a solid future for all members of the Ottawa Jewish community. I could not imagine a better team of people with which to work.

Do religion and politics mix?

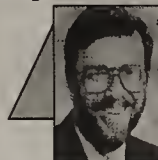
As we celebrate the 49th anniversary of the founding of the State of Israel, the spectre of internecine hatred between religious and secular Jews rears its ugly head. As usual, the problem of separation of synagogue and state is addressed by those who see no purpose for religious parties in government and by others who feel that the religious needs of the observant population cannot be met without the active governmental participation of those parties.

It must be stated outright that there is no greater public Chilul Hashem (desecration of the name of G-d) than when religious parties are engaged in scandal and blackmail. But there is no greater Kiddush Hashem (sanctification of the name of G-d) when religious political parties inspire their own constituents as well as others to a life of Torah. Political parties that wallow in the mud of political intrigue or scandal or constantly threaten to bring down the government do not enhance the beauty of Judaism, but besmirch it.

Rav Joseph Soloveitchik, in an essay, "On the Love of Torah and the Redemption of the Soul of the Generation", discusses the role that religious parties should play in Israel. His words, written many years ago, still hold true today (translation from Hebrew):

Traditional Judaism must give content and meaning to the lives of the individual and the community. It must be able to open up to the perplexed and lost Jews the gates of a faith that gladdens the hearts of its followers.

As honorary chair of World Mizrachi for many years, Rav Soloveitchik believed very strongly that religious political parties could direct their energies to "open us to the perplexed", with pro-



FROM THE PULPIT

RABBI HOWARD FINKELSTEIN
BETH SHALOM WEST

grams designed to bring people closer to their faith. Our religious political parties and the chief rabbinate as well must take the initiative to present our Torah in a positive light.

It is, therefore, heartening to read that Chief Rabbi Lau of Israel is now engaged in discussion with Knesset leaders from the secular camp to promote the beauty of Shabbat to a population that is familiar only with the "negatives" associated with that holy day.

Rabbi Lau's efforts should be applauded and encouraged, for it is only with a positive approach to Judaism that people will rediscover their roots and their heritage. His program is to be seen as traversing denominational lines and as bridging the gap between the religious and secular communities.

Rabbi Lau's program should serve as a model to the religious parties in government to follow suit, to hopefully make this 49th anniversary of Israel's founding a year when the secular and religious learn to coexist and not self-destruct.

Perhaps this is a pipedream, but our faith and our history have been enwrapped in the unexpected and miraculous. The rapprochement between the secular and religious can too become a miracle of reality if the powers that be enable it to happen.

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ORGANIZATIONS AND PEOPLE

Outstanding volunteers to be honored at JCC AGM

By Estelle Melzer

The Jewish Community Centre of Ottawa has announced the recipients of its annual awards for outstanding volunteer contributions to the JCC and the community. These awards will be presented at the JCC's Annual General Meeting which will take place on Monday, June 9 at 7:00 pm at the JCC, 151 Chapel Street.

The Ben Karp Volunteer Service Award, the highest honor the JCC bestows, was set up to recognize continued outstanding volunteer involvement on behalf of the JCC. This year's recipient will be **Cheryl Cogan**.

Youth involvement in the community is recognized by the Grossman-Klein Teen Leadership Award, which presents \$200 each to one male and one female teen. This year's winners are **Stephanie Levitz and Lorne Pearl**.

Cheryl Cogan's infectious smile and enthusiasm have, over the last four years, brought literally hundreds of people "on board" as volunteers for the JCC. Since joining the JCC board, Cheryl has carved out a place for herself as volunteer recruiter extraordinaire. She regularly rounds up the many volunteers needed for the JCC's community-wide events such as Arts Alive and Registration Day.

When the JCC wanted community involvement and input into the building of the new facility, Cheryl was the natural choice to turn to. Together with co-chair Rhona Levine, she organized the Focus Groups held last year to measure community support for the new JCC. Forty focus groups, each composed of 10 to 15 people, were set up and processed in an extremely short time frame.

This year Cheryl undertook the even larger job of bringing hundreds of community members on board an army of Task Forces - committees which will make recommendations concerning the new JCC's operations, policies, programs and equipment. Some of these committees have completed their tasks, others are in the process and still others will be set up in the coming months.

Cheryl's perspective on her volunteer involvement is typical of her people-oriented spirit. "I have been so impressed by the vast pool of talented individuals in our community and their willingness to get involved," she commented. "I consider it a privilege to have had the opportunity to work with these people and to bring them together."

Cheryl has also participated in the UJA Young Women's Leadership Council for three years and has worked on many UJA campaigns.

She is married to Jerry Cogan and is the mother of two daughters, Rachel, 9 and Sarah, 5. Kol Kavod to an invaluable community volunteer.



Cheryl Cogan

Stephanie Levitz has been active both in the Jewish community and the community at large throughout her teen years. She was a member of United Synagogue Youth (USY), serving as vice-president in charge of social action and co-president. She also served on the JCC's Jewish Teen Leadership Council and has volunteered with the UJA Walkathon, Project Keshet and Arts Alive. Stephanie celebrated her Bat Mitzvah in unique fashion, earmarking all her gifts to Operation Exodus.

Currently, she is the adviser to the Agudath Israel Synagogue Kadimah youth group and is also working with Hillel Academy students as yearbook adviser. She is a graduate of Hillel Academy (where she served as yearbook editor) and Akiva High School, winning the Chaver L' Akiva award for school spirit.

Stephanie, who will graduate from Sir Robert Borden High School this year, was editor of her school's yearbook for two years. She is also an editor of *What! Magazine* and was a delegate to the 1997 National Commonwealth Student Forum. Stephanie is the daughter of Gerry and Ingrid Levitz.

Lorne Pearl has been a member of USY for five years, and on the executive for three years serving as secretary, treasurer, and this year, president. He regularly volunteers as a Torah reader for the Talmud Torah and Tefillatenu Shabbat Services and has also helped out with Agudath Israel Synagogue's Kosher Food Drive.

He has also been a long-time volunteer at Akiva High School, assisting at Open Houses and registrations, playing senior clarinet in the school band and using his computer skills to update the school's data base and redesign its report card.

A graduating student at Sir Robert Borden High School, Lorne was also very active in school life. He was a member of its *Reach for the Top* team, which placed third in the Ottawa-Carleton Region, and plays first clarinet in the senior band. Lorne is the son of Brian and Rochelle Pearl.

The JCC will also honor outstanding athletes in the community at its Annual General Meeting.

The Irving "Shap" Shapero Memorial Athletic Award for long-term contributions to sport and recreation will be presented to **Rhona Levine**. The Sharon Koffman Memorial Athletic Award for outstanding achievement by a university varsity athlete will be given to **Lianne Laing**.

Winners of the Jack Goldfield Memorial Award for Teen Athletes of the year are **Lee Michael Greenberg** and **Jordana Polowin**. The co-winners of the Parliament Lodge B'nai Brith Graduating Student Athletic Award are **Manny Olszynko** and **Alayna Kruger**.

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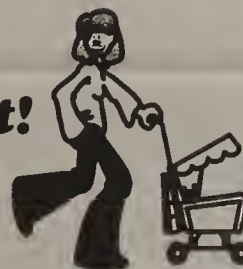
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Sephardic gala hosted by Beth Shalom West

An exciting evening of Sephardic culture is planned for June 15 at Beth Shalom West (BSW). This marks the second "Laila De Oro" hosted by the synagogue, and follows a sold-out performance last year.

The Edery Brothers of Morocco and Montreal will perform Andalous music from the Mediterranean, as well as a mixture of Arabic Spanish and Jewish songs reflecting the 2,000-year history of the Jews in Morocco. The Edery Brothers will be joined by The Montreal Boys Choir under the direction of Cantor Daniel Benlolo of Beth Shalom West.

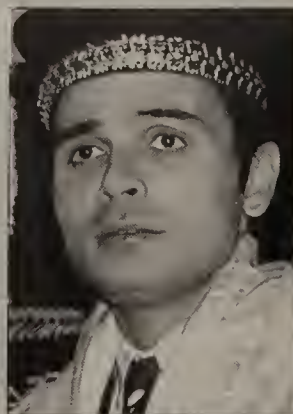
Benlolo will also perform. "In addition to providing a delightful evening of entertainment and a chance to socialize, the evening will also help bridge the Ashkenazic and Sephardic communities

through exposure to Sephardic music and food," he said.

At last year's Laila De Oro, the audience was regaled by a traditional Sephardic Henna party. When asked whether it will be repeated this year, Benlolo would only say that "there will be a very interesting musical surprise".

The food will be catered by Rachel Hazan of Mazal Tov Caterers and will feature a traditional Sephardic Mediterranean buffet followed by dessert delicacies, some rarely seen in the Ottawa area. Through the generosity of the youth of BSW, who are providing much of the logistical support, ticket prices are being kept to a low \$40 per person, including a tax-deductible portion.

For more information and tickets call the Beth Shalom West office (723-1800).



Cantor Benlolo to perform at Laila De Oro.

Countdown to UJA Walkathon '97

June 1 is fast approaching. Of course, organizers are predicting a beautiful sunny day for the 1997 Walkathon in order to accommodate a great day of activities surrounding the annual Walk, Bike, Run, Blade that raises money for the Ottawa UJA.

In the past, mention has been made of the importance of the role of Chai Walkers and for 1997 there has been a push towards getting more people to sign up for this category. Chai Walkers are those individuals or families that raise more than \$1,000.00 for the UJA. At the same time they qualify for some great prizes including new software from Corel, memberships at the Queensway Athletic Club and the top prize of one return ticket to Israel, compliments of Air Canada and Intra Madison Travel. Joining

the regular Chai Walkers this year are the Pleet family, Jason Shinder, Howie Osterer, Lawrence Soloway and Charles Schachnow. The regulars include Rabbis Reuven Bulka, Ely Brown and Arnold Fine; Nat Palmer; and Syd Hartman. Together, the Chai Walkers can raise up to one-third of the total monies raised at the Walkathon. Anyone who would like to become a Chai Walker should contact Tal Gilboa-Maoz at the UJA office (789-7306).

In addition to the prizes available on amounts of money raised, there will be special prizes including Lynx tickets, software programs, music tapes and food coupons. This year, as in 1996, a Mystery Walker will be among the Walkathon group handing out tickets for these special prizes to those people who are wearing their

Walkathon T-shirts.

In order to make the Walkathon work, one of the most important aspects is ensuring there are enough volunteers on June 1. Volunteers are needed for registration, to act as marshals and to help coordinate activities. Contact the UJA office, if you can volunteer your time.

A special pre-registration day is being held on Sunday, May 25, from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm at the Jewish Community Campus, 881 Broadview Avenue. Anyone who pre-registers will be able to start the Walkathon on June 1 without having to worry about line-ups and will also be eligible for special additional prizes.

The organizers are looking forward to a fun-filled day with the whole community coming out to participate in this annual event!

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Dr. John Kershman embodies spirit of CDC campaign

By Cynthia Nyman Engel

"He's fabulous," his wife, Sabina Wasserlauf, says. A great many people agree with her.

In fact, in this era of burgeoning cloning, Community Capital Campaign organizers probably would have liked the opportunity to reproduce Dr. John Kershman in triplicate - several times over.

Little wonder.

The moment the 42-year old orthodontist/periodontist accepted Lawrence Soloway's invitation to serve as a vice-chair of Division III in the Community Capital Campaign, he threw himself heart-and-soul into raising funds for the Broadview Campus.

First, he responded generously with his own gift.

"I gave my gift in the spirit of the campaign, which was to give commensurate with your ability to honor your commitment," Kershman explains. The Kershman family's gift will be reflected in the dedication of the mezzuzah affixed to the main entry of the new Jewish Community Centre.

Then, John Kershman hit the campaign trail running. "No one has ever had to convince me to give to UJA or buy State of Israel Bonds, it's a habit I learned from my parents," he says. "I enjoy fundraising and I don't find it difficult to get on the phone to ask for money for a worthwhile cause."

And the Ottawa native believes the new Jewish Community Campus is a very worthwhile cause, indeed.

"I'm looking forward to the day when both my children are attending Hillel Academy - Benjamin is there now,



Dr. John Kershman

Zachary will follow soon. I'm excited that they'll have a place where they can meet with other Jewish children," Kershman says.

"I'm delighted that we'll be close to educational events. Both Sabina and I intend to make good use of the Broadview Campus facilities.

"And when the trio is complete, when Hillel Lodge, the JCC and Hillel Academy are all on the one campus, the interaction of the Ottawa Jewish Community will be wonderful to behold," Dr. Kershman says, with a smile.

He is very impressed with the professionalism of campaign organizers and the dedication of the local leadership under Campaign Chair Roger Greenberg.

"The campaign was very structured, very focused," he says. "We began with several meetings to discuss what the project is, how much had to be raised and how it was to be done.

"The results speak for themselves," Kershman smiles, "and its not over yet."

The involvement is certainly not over for Dr. John Kershman, who currently is taking an active role in the extended Mini-Campaign.

"For a variety of reasons, approximately 300 families were not canvassed during the formal campaign last year," he says. "We want everyone to feel they were part of the process, part of the building of this great project, that they have some ownership of it.

The son of Sylvia (Bodovsky) and Harry Kershman grew up in the Ottawa Jewish community, leaving only to earn a degree in dentistry at McGill University and dou-

ble specialty degrees at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia.

On his return to Ottawa in 1985 he and transplanted Montrealer Allan Ruckenstein got busy filling a void by creating the highly successful Jewish, young social group 20-30 Connection.

"Sabina likes to tease that we did it so we could meet all the single Jewish women," John laughs. If so, it worked. He and Sabina met and today are the parents of two sons.

Kershman still has several prospective donors to canvass in the Mini-Campaign before he hangs up his Nikes and takes a rest.

"We don't expect or want people to hurt themselves financially," he says. "But we do ask that they give to the best of their ability to honor their pledge.

"This is our Jewish Community Campus, and we want everyone to feel they were a part of making it happen."

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An evening of celebration concludes UJA Campaign

The songs were by the students of Hillel Academy and the Talmud Torah Afternoon School. The Akiva High School Klezmer Band performed at the reception held in the Atrium of the Nepean Civic Centre before the UJA Celebration event began. The room reverberated with the joyous sounds of Jewish music.

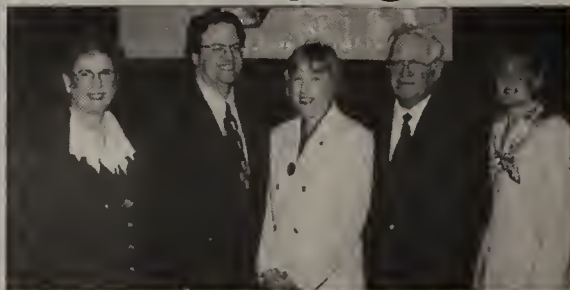
From the start the evening had a touch of magic to it. The Atrium kept filling with more and more people. By the time the doors to the Council Chambers opened for the program, it became apparent that there would be standing room only.

What drew such a crowd to an evening traditionally designed to thank the UJA workers and supporters? Perhaps it was the meaningful nature of the program. Instead of simply saying "thank you" to the campaigners and the donors, it was decided to show them actual examples of what their acts of tzedakah achieve.

Many of the presentations were effective in bringing home the relevance of UJA.

A young man spoke about the vast improvement in the quality of his life brought about by the Tamir Foundation. A woman, in her mid-thirties, discussed her recent arrival in Ottawa with her 15 year old daughter, from the Ukraine. She explained how one minute she was at a shelter near the bus terminal all alone in the city and the next minute, after connecting with the volunteers and professionals at the Jewish Family Services, being absorbed into the Jewish community of Ottawa. The JFS does this work, supported by the UJA funds, day in, day out, without much fanfare.

Herb Nadolny, the 1997 UJA Campaign chair, spoke with passion and conviction about his reasons for getting involved in



Celebrating the successful completion of this year's UJA Campaign are (from left to right): Marjorie Feldman, Arnie Vered, Rosalyn Fremeth, Herb Nadolny and Ellen Cherney.

the fundraising efforts of this community. He reflected on the stark differences in the way Jewish people were treated before the creation of the State of Israel and the vast improvement in status since 1948. Nadolny concluded by pointing out the necessity for assuring the survival of Israel and the vibrancy of the local Jewish community.

The formal part of the evening concluded with a rousing presentation by the "FAME" singers, thus introducing yet another beneficiary

of the UJA funds: the Jewish Community Centre's "Theatreworks".

Then the festivities moved back to the Atrium for a dessert reception which was attended by close to 400 people, including the ambassador of Israel to Canada, David Sultan and the president of UJA Canada, Harvey Wolfe. This special evening was a fitting conclusion to a successful campaign, during which no effort was spared to let the community know how much sustaining its institutions mattered.



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JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES

Bre-X and Jewish poverty

By Marlene Goldfarb Cherun,
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Assistant Director

OK, while I have your attention . . .

The front page of a recent edition of the *Ottawa Jewish Bulletin* featured an article by Cynthia Engel on Jewish poverty in Ottawa. Perhaps it was an article that shocked some - or even many - who read it. It seems to me that our *Bulletin* too rarely shocks us, preferring to foster the image of Ottawa as a homogenous community in which all are blessed by collegiality and well-being. Controversy, difference and unpleasant realities within the Jewish community are rarely addressed in the *Bulletin* and, certainly, not so prominently.

It is to the credit of the current editorial staff that it has chosen to take up the unpleasant reality that many Jews in Ottawa are subsisting and struggling to survive. That many among us are dirt poor is harder to imagine at the same time that the community raises 13 million dollars for a new Jewish Campus. We at JFS welcome the *Bulletin's* playing a leadership role in focusing attention on this uncomfortable-making topic at this time.

We are living in the era when "Jewish continuity" is a central obsession. Communal leadership throughout the world is rightfully concerned that our numbers are being eroded through a variety of trends. Our birth rates are, on average, low and our divorce rates high. Our intermarriage rates are also high, both among the young who are marrying (or not) for the first time and among second-time marriages.

It is well known that many Jews seek meaningful spirituality outside of their own religious structures. I recall being taken aback by the 1990 Census data which revealed that many Ottawa Jews listed themselves as practising other religions.

At the same time, fundamentalists among our Orthodox brethren are seeking, in the Knesset and elsewhere, to disenfranchise those who have chosen Judaism through other than Orthodox conversions and, thereby, their offspring. All of which alarms us and all of which brings me to the Jewish poor.

We cannot afford to neglect this growing segment of our population, both for moral and for pragmatic reasons. We must consciously embrace the Jewish poor among us

and invite them to be an integral part of our communal life. We cannot afford the luxury of assuming that those who wish to identify with and be part of the mainstream will attempt to do so. In reality, we place major barriers in the path of those without means who wish to do so.

The cost of being socially and religiously Jewish is exorbitant. Never mind the impossibility of keeping up with the Schwartzes. Someone living at or below the poverty line has trouble enough putting any food on the table, let alone kosher food. One can certainly apply for subsidies for shul memberships and school and camp fees, but the cost to the pride of so exposing oneself is often too high, particularly in a community where the right to privacy is constantly overlooked, sometimes out of good intentions, sometimes not. An example: an eight year old child at a local Jewish day school was recently heard to say to a classmate "You have no right to take up the teacher's time. You don't pay to go here and I do." The sad reality is that this child was correct about her classmate's financial circumstances. It is irrelevant to speculate on how she came by this knowledge or why she so cruelly used it. I am far more concerned by the cost to the child who had the mazel to be born into the poor family.

Are we as a community ready to be the cruel child? Are we, like her, prepared to exclude and stigmatize or, more likely, to leave it to others to take care of "the problem"? Thankfully, some among us are rising to the challenge. Shuls have taken leadership roles in giving the poor the message that they care. Agudath Israel has formed a Social Action Committee and has established a Kosher Food Bank. Teenagers at Beth Shalom West have plans to set up a program designed to integrate immigrant teens into their community. A Think Tank on Poverty is considering how best to engage various Jewish groups in creating practical ways of including in our community those marginalized by poverty. A Tikvah Fund has been established to provide money for those in need, to be administered by JFS. JFS, in cooperation with four other settlement agencies, has struck an Employment Advisory Council to facilitate hiring those who are unemployed and those who are under-employed.

Inclusion, invitation, respect. It is a beginning.

Yitzchak Mais to be Rosenberg lecturer

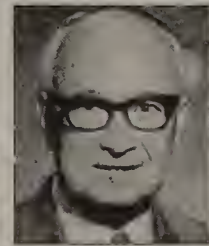
Dr. Yitzchak Mais, noted Holocaust historian and museum curator, will be the guest speaker at this year's Imre Rosenberg Memorial Lecture. The community is invited to attend the lecture which will take place on Sunday, June 8, at 8:00 pm at Temple Israel, 1301 Prince of Wales Drive.

Since 1983, Mais has served as director of the Historical Museum of the Yad Vashem Martyrs and Heroes' Remembrance Authority in Jerusalem. For several years, he has acted as consultant to the Museum of Jewish Heritage in New York and in July 1996 assumed the position of chief curator and project

director in order to plan the new museum's core exhibit. A distinguished scholar and experienced museum professional, he has organized and planned such exhibits as "The Last Ghetto: Life in the Lodz Ghetto 1940-44", currently at Yad Vashem, and "A Day in the Warsaw Ghetto: A Birthday Trip in Hell" which has been travelling internationally since 1990.

This is the tenth in an annual series of lectures sponsored by the Truda and Imre Rosenberg Educational Foundation and Temple Israel in memory of the late Dr. Imre Rosenberg.

Dr. Rosenberg, diplomat, lawyer, teacher, writer, painter and scholar, fled to



The late
Dr. Imre Rosenberg

Canada from his native Czechoslovakia in 1948 where he was under life sentence for Zionist activities. He was vitally concerned with all issues related to human rights, refugees and displacement, and served on the Canadian government's Refugee Status Committee. He was an active member of the Jewish community.

Newcomers Tea planned for June 8

The Ladies Reception Committee for Newcomers to the Ottawa Jewish Community will be holding a tea on Sunday, June 8.

The event will take place at the

home of Rozzi Kanigsberg at 2:30 pm.

Any newcomer who wishes to attend, or anyone knowing of a newcomer who may not have received an invitation, call Ruth Calof (523-1600).

Temple Israel to hold fundraising sale on June 8

Temple Israel is holding a Community Sale and Fundraiser on Sunday, June 8 from 8 am to 1:30 pm in the temple parking lot at 1301 Prince of Wales Drive.

On sale will be gently used household articles, furniture, sports equipment, children's games and toys, baby items and books including Judaica. A special feature will be new educational soft-

ware, Jewish clipart, 3 1/2" computer discs and display racks courtesy of Medialand.

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Important notice regarding the scheduling of school activities on Jewish holidays

By Bonnie Carroll
Jewish Community Council Representative
and Chair of the OBE
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Parents and students concerned about the scheduling of school tests, exams and activities on Jewish holidays should get involved now with their School Councils to make sure that schools note the dates and avoid timetabling conflicts.

Parents can also inform school principals of these dates, so that they include them on school calendars and student handbooks and use them to set dates for School Council and other meetings and events. Action taken now will avoid the problems and frustrations faced by our children during the school year.

Both the Ottawa and Carleton Boards of Education have Holy Days calendars that are supplied to the schools. The Ottawa Board of Education's Holy Days

policy stipulates that "students are often absent from school on these days with parental consent. Teachers should not schedule tests, exams or major co-curricular events on these days". In addition, conferences, workshops and other professional events should not be scheduled, as well as school and board meetings. Holy days are not to be noted as student absences from school.

The Carleton Board of Education recently implemented a policy similar to the OBE's to cover Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Schools are advised to respect the other holy days by attempting to avoid scheduling problems.

Despite the circulation of calendars and policies, there are problems encountered yearly. Bring these situations to the attention of your School Council or principal. If problems are not resolved to your satisfaction or if your child is experiencing other problems due to

religion, call Mitchell Bellman, Vaad director of Community Relations and Public Affairs (789-7306).

Please use the following calendar when informing your school of Jewish holidays for 1997-98 and remind officials that our holidays commence the evening prior to these dates. You may wish to clip this article for future reference.

Rosh Hashanah	October 2-3, 1997
Yom Kippur	October 11, 1997
Sukkot	October 16-17, 1997
Simchat Torah	October 23-24, 1997
Passover	April 11-12, 1998
Passover	April 17-18, 1998
Shavuot	May 31-June 1, 1998

Note: The OBE Holy Days Calendar does not include Simchat Torah or the last two days of Passover. The CBE includes all of the above dates, as well as Chanukah and Purim.

B'nai Brith Passover Project a success

By Stacia Benovitch

The mitzvah of helping those in need was again the basis of this year's Passover Food Baskets Project.

Over 156 immigrant and needy Jewish families received food baskets containing kosher for Passover food either donated by corporate sponsors or funded by donors.

Months of preparation went into making this year's Passover a special time for those new to the community and those less fortunate. From 6 am. to 6

pm on April 20, dedicated volunteers worked relentlessly to ensure that every family got its basket on time.

Cans of gefilte fish, boxes of matzah, bottles of kosher wine and jars of matzah ball soup were just some of the Passover food that was distributed this year. Along with the food, each family received warm wishes for a happy and healthy Passover from the Community Volunteers Services Chair, Irv Singer and the Jewish community.

The greatest beauty of this event: the unspoken thank you with a smile or handshake overcoming any language barriers and the coming together of our community and Jewish agencies to reach the common goal of "people helping people".

B'nai Brith Parliament Lodge #2159 and Ottawa Lodge #885 praise the combined efforts of Tamir Foundation, BBYO, Valerie Terkel of JFS, Yitzhak Rabin High School, JSU-Hillel and the many volun-

teers who made this event a success.

B'nai Brith Passover Baskets are prepared by (from left to right): Nicole Cuglietta, Irv Singer, Wayne Bellman, Michael Broitman, Estelle Allen.



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The greening of 'The Last Frontier'

The Negev, the last area of Israel offering wide open spaces, has been called the country's most promising frontier.

Yet, to many Israelis, the Negev is merely a series of gas stations on the road to Eilat.

An area of 12,000 square kilometres comprising 11 million dunams (2,750,000 acres), the Negev covers 60 per cent of Israel's total land area.

Yet, the Negev is home to approximately 500,000 people: less than 10% of the country's total population. And because four-fifths of the Negev is army-controlled, the land available for farming, homes and factories is drastically reduced.

Ironically, as housing projects spring up on the orchards and fields of the fertile centre of Israel, it is the semi-arid north and the arid south - far less suited to agriculture - that are becoming the mainstay of local farming.

In 1963, his final year as prime minister of Israel, the visionary David Ben-Gurion spoke of the Negev region with great passion. Calling on Israel to make a move southward, he implored the government and its people, "to direct the country's water and rain, young pioneers and new immigrants, and most of the resources of the development budget to the south: to uproot a considerable part of our ... factories and transfer them to the south."

Ben-Gurion's dream is beginning to take shape. And the JNF is helping that dream come true.

In the Negev region nothing is more vital than water. In the last eight years, Israel's national water commission has been pumping treated wastewater from the Dan Region recycling facility to Negev kibbutzim and settlements where it gets a new lease on life irrigating fruits and vegetables.

Remarkably, almost one-half the water used in the Negev comes from this recycled source - an annual 115 million cubic metres. And that volume is set to double as soon as next year when several huge reservoirs, including the JNF's project in the northwest Besor area are completed.

Currently, desert farmers are also capitalizing on the virtually infinite supply of hot, brackish (salty) water being pumped from an ancient aquifer located 1000 metres beneath the desert. Discovered two decades ago, the water from the aquifer was initially thought to be unusable. Not so.

Instead, Israeli scientists and researchers have developed ways to make plants more saline-tolerant and found irrigation techniques that would yield first-rate produce from second-rate water. Without this kind of aggressive thinking, Israeli farming in general might well have become a memory. In recent years, a national shortage of fresh water has forced the government to slash allocations to farmers nationwide.

Over the past three years, as part of its Action Plan: Negev, the JNF has invested more than US \$90 million in developing water sources in the Negev, another US \$83 million to plant orchards (including US \$7.5 million for olives) and US \$15 million on fish ponds.

There is much promise in the last frontier.

A trio of B'not Mitzvah

Three young ladies recently became Bat Mitzvah. Mazal Tov and Yasher Koach to Laura Billie Moss, Robin Michaels and Lily Coodin who celebrated the major milestone in their lives. The proud parents of the celebrants chose to mark the special occasion by inscribing their daughters' names in the JNF Seter Bar/Bat Mitzvah.

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Hillel Academy Tea

An afternoon that's filled to the rim

By Lynda Taller-Wakter

This year's Hillel Academy Tea promises to be filled to the rim with great entertainment, palate-pleasing food and unbelievable door prizes. The committee has worked hard to satisfy everybody's taste.

Says co-chair Ghita Segal: "We wanted to have something for everyone. After all, the

tea attracts a range of people, from moms with preschoolers to senior members of the community."

So what's in store? Montreal-based Yuk Yuk's comedienne Heidi Foss will take centre stage with her own brand of female humor before giving the floor to local Royal Conservatory flutist Karen Flomen. The soft music will allow "everyone to enjoy

an amazing fruit and sweets buffet," says co-chair Stacey Seller.

There are numerous door prizes to try for, too, from weekend getaways to birthday parties and dance lessons, cosmetic baskets and more.

This all takes place on Sunday, May 25, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at Agudath Israel Synagogue, 1400 Coldrey Avenue. Couvert is \$18 and \$12 for children 10 and under.



Beth Hatefutsoth annual event features Dr. Aaron Feingold

In the 52 years between 1938 and 1990, 45 Jewish doctors have been awarded the Nobel Prize.

In 1995 Beth Hatefutsoth, The Museum of the Jewish Diaspora in Tel Aviv, mounted an exhibition entitled "Therefore Choose Life" (Deut.30:19) Jews and Medicine: Religion, Culture, Science' focusing on the theme of the Jewish contribution to medical knowledge and ethics. The exhibition was extremely popular, so much so that the catalogue was quickly sold out and demands made for it to become a travelling exhibition.

Dr. Aaron Feingold, who played a major role in the Tel Aviv exhibition, will be the featured speaker at this year's Annual Members' Event for Canadian Friends of Beth Hatefutsoth, Ottawa Section. He will speak on the topic 'The Jewish Physician of the Renaissance: A Most Honourable Profession' on Sunday June 1, at 7:30 pm in the Council Chambers, Nepean Civic Square, 101 Centrepont Drive.

Feingold, a practising cardiologist in Edison, New Jersey, has avidly pursued his interest in collecting Jewish medical artifacts and memorabilia. He was a consultant for several of the artifacts in the exhibition and was the author of one of the chapters in the catalogue. He has lectured frequently on the subject of Jewish medical ethics at Brandeis and Princeton Universities.

In conjunction with Dr. Feingold's presentation, special tours of the Jacob M. Lowy Collection at the National Library of Canada have been arranged. These tours, guided by the curator, Cheryl Jaffee, will concentrate on works pertaining to

medical history. Included will be an original edition of the first printed illustrated medical work by a Jewish physician in Hebrew, the 'Maaseh Tuviah' (The Work of Tuvia, Venice, 1707).

Admission is available to members of Beth Hatefutsoth without charge. The public is also invited to attend at the cost of \$15.00 per ticket, payable at the door. This includes a reception afterwards and free parking. Inquiries may be directed to Fran Pearl (726-9330) or Teena Hendelman (235-9414).



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Gerry Cammy

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Cammy, a professor of Political Science and Sociology at Heritage College since 1970, has been interested in political and social issues throughout his career. His involvement in the 1980 Referendum in Quebec included co-authoring, with Conrad Winn, *The Confederation Crisis*, a series of eight articles for *Southam News Services*, which appeared in countless newspapers across the country.

He has been interviewed, along with his students, by CBC Radio and appeared with his class on a CTV special during the Meech Lake Accord.

In 1991, Cammy was part of a vital conference entitled *Towards the Year 2000*, which brought together Canadians from all walks of life and 11 parts of the country. He was a guest analyst for CBC Ottawa during the last federal election.

On several occasions in the last number of years, Cammy has offered a special course at Carleton University's Professional Development Centre and School of Continuing Education. The course, *Understanding the Quebec Question*, always engenders lively discussion and heated debate.

Christine Lauzin, writing in a local newspaper, said the following: "Professor Cammy is a man who clearly

loves what he is doing. To say that his class is lively is the understatement of the year. In the classroom, he is constantly moving about, and even normally reserved students get caught up in his enthusiasm. Cammy doesn't simply deliver lectures, he creates whirlwinds."

Cammy is also well known in the Jewish community. He is currently the principal of Secular Studies at École Maimonides in addition to teaching popular courses in Current Events and the Holocaust at Akiva High School. Previously, he served for 21 years as the principal of Ottawa Modern Jewish School, was the assistant director of Camp B'nai Brith and the director of the JCC Day Camp.

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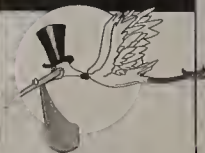
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Israeli Scout Caravan returns to Ottawa

The 39th Ottawa Henry "Hank" Toronto Scouting Movement and the Israel Program Centre announce the return of the Israeli Scouts Friendship Caravan to Ottawa on Monday, June 9. The show will start at 7:30 pm at the Jewish Community Campus, 881 Broadview Avenue and is open to the entire community.

This song and dance troop will be performing over 150 shows to communities across North America this summer. It is the fifth year that these talented entertainers will be visiting Ottawa.

You are asked to bring one kosher canned food product for admission to the show. The 39th cubs and youth from the Israel Program Centre will be collecting your contributions for distribution at the Ottawa Jewish Food Bank located at



The Israeli Scouts Friendship Caravan

Agudath Israel Synagogue.

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CICF announces upcoming events

By Geri Migicovsky

Dr. Norman Barwin, president of the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation, Ottawa Chapter, has announced two very special events for the spring season.

The first program will take place on Sunday, May 25 at the home of Norman and Myrna Barwin, 73 Loch Isle Road at 7:30 pm to celebrate Yom Ha'Atzmaut and the beginning of Israel's 50th anniversary. Members and prospective members are invited to this evening of Israeli music, song and dance. In keeping with the occasion the theme of the

evening will be blue and white. Everyone is encouraged to carry this out in their dress; even a suitable ribbon will put you in the mood.

On Thursday, June 19 at



Maya Badian

7:30 pm at the home of Ruth and Arnon Miller, 3671 Revelstoke Drive, Dr. Maya Badian, a renowned composer who arrived in Ottawa recently will be the guest. Born in Romania, it was quite evident at an early age that she was destined to be a force in the world of music composition. Many of her compositions have been played internationally.

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Setting up for Passover Basket preparation: John Diener (left) and Patrick Kileen.

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MAILBAG

Response to Kosher Food Bank
is impressive

Yasher koach to Cynthia Engel for an excellent article highlighting the plight of some members of our community (Ottawa Jewish Bulletin, April 21, 1997).

Hunger is pernicious and pervasive and, as we know, it can cause physical and psychological harm. It is damaging to people of all ages, but perhaps more so to children. Hunger can rob children of their ability to learn and can be the root of other behavioral problems. It is difficult to believe - and much harder to accept - that there are hungry children and adults in our community at this time. Sadly, this is the case.

To date, with limited publicity and awareness, the response to the Kosher Food Bank has been most heart-warming due to the generous donations of non-perishable food by members of the community.

Not mentioned in the Bulletin article is that financial contributions are also welcomed. All funds received will be used specifically for purchases to replenish the inventory of the Kosher Food Bank. Cheques should be made payable to Agudath Israel Congregation, with the Kosher Food Bank Fund designated. For those who wish to acknowledge special events or occasions, a card will be sent in recognition of the donation.

With the continued cooperation of the Jewish community we can alleviate this problem.

Saul Ross, chair
Agudath Israel Synagogue
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7:00 pm

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will be completed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of previous minutes • Business arising from previous minutes • Treasurer's Report:
Appointment of Auditors for 1997 • Thank you to outgoing Board
by Mr. Irving Greenberg | 2. Annual Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report of the Nominating Committee
by Mrs. Noreen Bosloy (Chair) • Election of incoming Board 1997/98 • Medical Director/Executive Director
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KID LIT

Books capture magnetism of Jerusalem



KID LIT

DEANNA SILVERMAN

North American Kid Lit authors and publishers took a cautious approach to the books they produced to commemorate Jerusalem 3000. Some were clearly for a Jewish market. Others for a Christian market. A few for an Islamic market. All avoided controversy.

Writers who chose to pay tribute to the multi-religious, multicultural nature of Jerusalem undertook the hardest task. They had to stay true to the history and beliefs of three major world religions, each tenaciously clinging to the earthly Jerusalem as its holy city.

That the following two books succeed in this perilous balancing act is a tribute to their authors' respect for the power of faith and the human spirit.

The Golden City Jerusalem's 3000 Years

By Neil Waldman
Atheneum Books For Young Readers 1995
Unpaged Ages 8-12

Wonder of wonders! In 32 beautifully crafted pages, author and illustrator Neil Waldman chronicles almost 3000 years of history. And he does it with a flowing grace and artistic beauty that captures the essence of location, peoples, religions and the passing centuries.

Waldman's watercolor-and-colored pencil artwork in pastel tones on honey-colored pages depicts Jerusalem sites of the different periods. The overall effect evokes the startling play of sunlight on Jerusalem limestone that gives the hilltop city its hallowed glow.

There are two surprises at the start of this book and a third at the end. First, *The Golden City* begins with a brief geographic and archeologic introduction to modern Jerusalem. By implication Waldman is saying Jerusalem's history is so implausible readers have to be reassured of its physical reality before its story can be told.

Second, although he quickly gets to King David declaring Jerusalem the capital of ancient Israel, Waldman begins his history of Jerusalem with Moses at Mount Sinai. For Jews that pre-history is essential in establishing their religious claim to Jerusalem.

Third, Waldman ends the book with the reunification

of Jerusalem in 1967. He then draws a circle back to a young David slaying Goliath. From a literary point of view, evoking a magic circle is masterful, emotional writing. What was, is again. Shying away from the period 1967-1995, however, does not quite take readers to Jerusalem 3000 and the current reality they want to understand.

Nevertheless, *The Golden City* is a visually breathtaking, textually lyrical introduction to Jerusalem's war-torn history. Written concisely yet emotionally, it captures Jerusalem's magnetism for Jews, Christians and Muslims.

O Jerusalem

By Jane Yolen
Illustrated by John Thompson
The Blue Sky Press/Scholastic Inc. 1996
Unpaged Ages 7 and up

Jane Yolen, author of *O Jerusalem*, is one of the most talented writers, storytellers and poets of our time. She is equally skillful in writing for children and adults. Perhaps best known as a fantasy writer, she is able to introduce an almost subliminal feeling of fantasy and wonder in everything she produces.

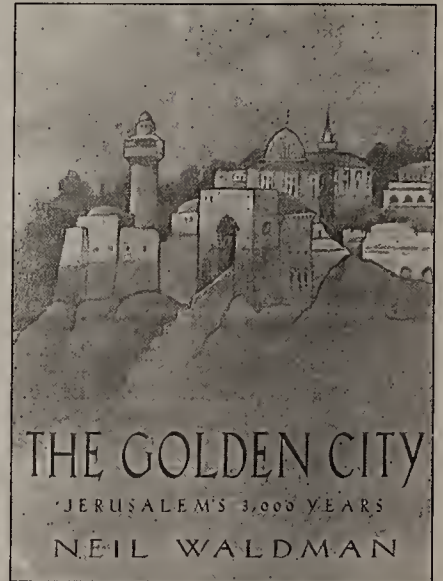
Nowhere is this talent for the subliminal and ephemeral more evident than in the 14 deeply moving, absorbing poems written to honor Jerusalem 3000. Each poem is based on one or more religious beliefs or traditional practices of Judaism, Christianity or Islam. Each is accompanied by a short explanation that puts it in context and enables readers to better understand the poem.

Each poem, each explanation is enriching and thought-provoking. So much meaning, feeling and imagery captured in such a soft voice and so few words. Yolen's simplicity is deceptive, her insights sensitive, brilliant and superbly targeted.

Individually and collectively, the poems' messages and

themes take aim at the mind, heart and soul of readers of all faiths. Yolen presents an intuitive vision of Jerusalem at peace, a peace in which religious differences blend into a complementary acceptance of unity.

Striking acrylic illustrations of images and sites important to all three religions add a sense of place



From *The Golden City, Jerusalem's 3,000 Years*

and time and extend Yolen's evocation of Jerusalem as a place of stone and people.

O Jerusalem is a must read for children and adults who relate to poetry, Jerusalem and visions of peace.



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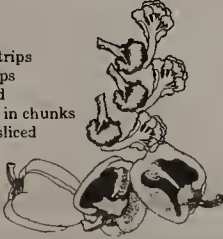
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DONNA KARLIN

Lastly, I've been trying out new combinations of vegetables to go with various grilled chicken dishes and fish. I've been enjoying these vegetables so much I decided to try them in a sandwich combination. They make a wonderful lunch or light dinner with a salad and are much more flavorful than the grilled cheese or regular turkey sandwiches that have become the norm. Try your own combinations and see which ones become your favorites. They're all low in fat and filled with different flavors. Make extra vegetables and refrigerate them for another use!

Ratatouille
and Grilled Mozzarella Sandwiches

- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 large onion, diced
- 6 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 green pepper, cut into strips
- 1 red pepper, cut into strips
- 1 medium eggplant, cubed
- 2 cups mushrooms, sliced in chunks
- 3 small zucchini, thickly sliced
- 4 tomatoes, cubed
- 1 cup tomato purée
- 1/4 cup dry red wine
- 2 tsp dried basil
- 1 tbsp lemon juice



- 2 tsp dried thyme
- 1 tsp dried oregano
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley
- 6 whole wheat submarine style rolls, small
- 6 oz. skim milk mozzarella cheese, cut into 12 slices

Heat oil in very large non-stick frying pan or wok, over medium heat. Add onions. Cook 5 minutes. Add garlic, peppers, eggplant, mushrooms, zucchini, tomatoes, tomato purée, wine, lemon juice, thyme, oregano, basil, salt and pepper. Stir well and cover. Reduce heat to low and cook 20 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add parsley. Cook 10 more minutes. Cut rolls in half. Spread each piece with thick layer of ratatouille and top with 1 slice of mozzarella cheese. Place on cookie sheet under broiler and broil until cheese is melted and golden. Serves 6.

Chunky Vegetable Pita Pockets

- 4 cups cubed, whole grain french bread
- 1/2 red onion, quartered and very thinly sliced
- 1 1/2 cups small broccoli florets
- 1 cup small cauliflower florets
- 1 red pepper, thinly sliced
- 1 yellow pepper, thinly sliced
- 1 cucumber, peeled and cubed
- 1 large tomato, cubed
- 4 oz mushrooms, thinly sliced
- 4 oz. feta cheese, crumbled
- 1 tbsp best quality olive oil
- 6 tbsp balsamic vinegar
- 2 tsp dried basil
- 2 tsp dried oregano
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 6 whole wheat pita breads

Low fat ranch or garlic dressing (optional)

In a very large bowl, mix bread cubes, onion, broccoli, cauliflower, peppers, cucumber, tomato, mushrooms, feta,

vinegar, oil, basil, oregano, salt and pepper. Toss well. Let marinate. Cut pitas in half and open gently so as not to tear the halves. Stuff salad into each half and serve with dressing if desired. Serves 6.

Oriental Pita Pockets

- 2 4 oz. skinned, deboned chicken breasts
- 1/2 cup alfalfa sprouts
- 1/4 cup sliced water chestnuts
- 1/4 cup sliced green onions
- 1 tbsp rice vinegar
- 1 tbsp soy sauce
- 1 tbsp oriental sesame oil
- 1 6" whole pita bread, cut in half
- Lettuce leaves

Broil chicken until tender and cooked through. Drain and chop into bite-sized pieces. Combine chicken with alfalfa sprouts, water chestnuts and green onions. Combine vinegar, soy sauce and sesame oil in a small jar and shake to mix well. Toss with chicken mixture. Insert lettuce into each pita half and stuff with chicken mixture. Serves 2.

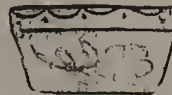


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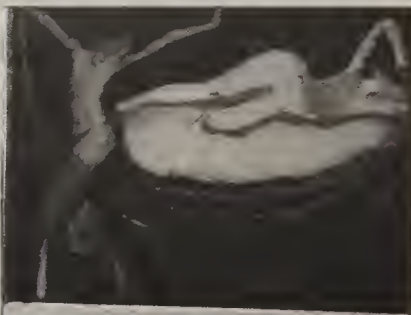
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ART WORKS

Art Works/ Rose Ann Hoffenberg Van Dongen *SOUVENIR DE LA SAISON D'OPÉRA RUSSE, 1909* National Gallery of Canada



The Dutch painter, Kees van Dongen, recorded an important event in the history of dance during the summer of 1909. The two Russian ballerinas, Pavlova and Ida Rubinstein, danced in *Cléopâtre* during the first appearance of Diaghilev's company in Paris. It was Rubinstein's first season with Diaghilev and Pavlova's next-to-last.

The ballet's enormous success can be attributed to the influence of Isadora Duncan, who freed dancers from the restricting costumes of traditional ballet and her insistence upon a unity of theme throughout any single dance. In addition, success was assured with the performance of the renowned dancers Karsavina, Nijinsky and Fokine. I would like to take a closer look at the two dancers, Pavlova and Rubinstein, who triumphed together but were worlds apart.

The vertical figure in van Dongen's painting is the seductive, flexible Pavlova. She was the star of Diaghilev's company as she danced Ta-hor in *Cléopâtre*. Why then did Pavlova choose to dance with the Diaghilev company only one more time? She explained, "The beauty of the scenes he combines, the splendors of the setting and costumes, the charm of the music, exercise so captivating and surprising an effect upon the public, that the dancer's individuality is lost sight of." Pavlova was referring to the choreography by Michel Fokine, the costume and design by Leo Baskin and the music by Rimsky-Korsakov, Glinka, Mussorgsky and Glazunov.

Ida Rubinstein is the horizontal figure in the painting who played the title role in the ballet, but was a dramatic actress not a dancer. It was Fokine's creative genius that composed Rubinstein's movements so that they would reveal her exotic beauty without making her dance.

Cléopâtre and its acclaim must have been almost irresistible to the artist, van Dongen, who had been living in Paris for 10 years. He adored dancing and would have painted *Souvenir de la Saison d'Opéra Russe* as a member of the audience.

Pavlova is pathetic with her fragile arms stretched imploringly upward and her body stained the brown of the slave. Rubinstein, on the other hand, is indifferent to anything but her own sensuality, isolated on her lustrous white couch. The artist abandoned the profile positions and flat, angular lines which Fokine used to communi-

cate Egyptian art and life to his audience. Instead, the artist shows us his love of volume, the curving sensuous line and color. He has brushed a vivid green on Cleopatra's flesh, surrounded Ta-hor's body with lines of the henna of her hair and used a vivid vermilion to suggest the veils and movements of Ta-hor's dance, all against a deep blue ground.

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Mazal Tov to Laurie Shusterman on receiving the Freiman Family Young Leadership Award by Linda and Arthur Cogan.

Mazal Tov to Joe Lief on receiving the Gilbert Greenberg Distinguished Service Award by Linda and Arthur Cogan.

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Best wishes to Irving Greenberg on his 70th birthday by Kaysa and Alfred Friedman.

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Wishing Esther Greenberg well by Beatrice Greenberg.
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Best wishes to Sally and Elliott Levian and family for a happy Passover by Dorothy and Herb Nadolny.

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Best wishes to Leema Magidson on her special birthday by Arlene and Norman Glube and family; by Horace and Lilyan Philipp; and by Irene Swedlove and family.
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Best wishes to Rachel and Sam Nadolny and family for a happy Passover by Dorothy and Herb Nadolny.

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In memory of Pinchas Frimerman by Evelyn and Irving Rivers; by Jacqui and Yaron Vital; by Ellen and Howard Dslerer; and by Lisa and Howard Kamen.
In memory of Sam Teller by Evelyn and Irving Rivers.

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In observance of the Yartzheit of a dear husband, father and grandfather Harry Saxe by Frances Saxe and family.

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Wishing Phil Morganstein well by Sue and Sam Slack.

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Mazal Tov to Roz and Myles Taller on the birth of their granddaughter Selina Jacquelin by Judi and Ed Kerzner.

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Wishing Robert Gencher well by Anne Taller; by Marilyn; and by Marvin Smbrow well by Anne Taller; by Marilyn;

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In memory of Sam Taller by Anne Taller.

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Congratulations to Roz and Myles Taller on the birth of their granddaughter Selina Jacquelin by Sandra and Eli Hoffman; and by Lana and Stephen Tanner and family.

In memory of Sid Marko's father by Lana and Stephen Tanner and family.

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Mazal Tov to Ellen and Steve Baum on the arrival of their daughter by John and Sunny Tavel.

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Mazal Tov to Dr. Norman Barwin on receiving the Order of Canada by John and Sunny Tavel.

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In memory of Yale Greenberg by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

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In memory of Morris Gordon by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

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In memory of Benjamin Reiner by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

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Wishing Cantor and Mrs. David Aptowitzer a happy and healthy Passover and wishing the Cantor a *ri'uah sh'lemah* by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

Mazal Tov to Malca and Chuck Polowin on the birth of their granddaughter and wishing them a happy and healthy Passover by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

Mazal Tov to Norma Miller on the birth of her granddaughter and wishing her a happy and healthy Passover by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

Wishing Mara and Isaac Muzikansky a happy and healthy Passover by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

Mazal Tov to Sol and Laya Shabinsky on the birth of their

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Mazal Tov to Bess Greenberg on the birth of her grandson and wishing her a happy and healthy Passover by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

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Mazal Tov to Andrea Ornstein and Eric Notkin on the birth of their son and wishing them a happy and healthy Passover by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

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Mazal Tov to Simone and Amell Goldberg on the birth of their grandson and wishing them a happy and healthy Passover by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

Mazal Tov to Sunny Tavel on being honoured by State of Israel Bonds and wishing Sunny and John a happy and healthy Passover by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

Mazal Tov to Helen and Gerry Polowin on the birth of their granddaughter, best wishes on their birthdays, and wishing them a happy and healthy Passover by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

Mazal Tov to Roz and Amie Kimmel on the engagement of their daughter Lisa to Dan Carr and wishing them a happy and healthy Passover by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

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In memory of the grandmother of Jodi and Jeff Denberg by Jodie Victor and Jeff Slal.

In memory of Sam Taller by Gail and Stephen Victor.

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Best wishes to Larry and Yetta Aaron and family for a happy Passover by Dorothy and Herb Nadolny.

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Wishing Irene Joseph well by Judie and Fred Ross and sons.

In memory of Sam Taller by Judie and Fred Ross and sons.

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In memory of Morris Woolson by Emily, David and Sarah Aaron.

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Mazal Tov to Wendy Burman and Ron Mayer on the birth of their twins by Helene Zaret.

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COMMUNITY AWARDS

Joseph Lief... Gilbert Greenberg Award

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as a teenager when he joined the Moses Bilsky Chapter of AZA. Ultimately rising to chapter president, he brought honor to himself and his colleagues by winning several oratorical and debating competitions. In the late 1930s he put his oratorical skills to use as a volunteer speaker for the Palestine Appeal, forerunner of the United Jewish Appeal.

A charter member and past president of B'nai Brith Parliament Lodge #2159, Lief was also a member of the first Board of Governors of the first all-Canadian B'nai Brith District #22. He is a charter member of Aurora Lodge #53, Knights of Pythias, and has held positions as the organization's Chancellor, Commander and Deputy Grand Chancellor.

Lief worked in the federal government before enlisting in the Canadian Navy during WWII. On his discharge from the service he enrolled in law studies at Osgoode Hall, and was called to the Bar of Ontario in 1949. Lief, who was named Queen's Counsel (Q.C.) in 1969, is currently an associate at the law firm Goldberg Shinder Gardner & Kronick.

A former Sunday School teacher, Joseph Lief's abiding interest in Jewish education led to a decade-long commitment as a member and executive member of the Ottawa Talmud Torah/ Hillel Academy Board from which he retired in 1968 after serving two terms as vice-president.

He sat as a member of the board and executive of Agudath Israel Congregation and served as president of the congregation from 1975-77. During his tenure Ottawa's first mixed choir was introduced into the congregation.

In spring, 1971, Lief, then a member of the Vaad Board of Trustees, was invited by Jewish Community Council Executive Officers Norman Zagerman and Alfred Friedman to sit on the Jewish Community Council executive.

"I knew that was like looking at a 10-year minimum sentence," Lief laughs, "so I asked my wife for her blessing."

Evelyn Lief was totally supportive. "You can do it, so why not?" she replied.

Lief enjoyed the opportunity of working with then-Vaad President Gilbert Greenberg, his close, personal friend.

"Working with Gilly was a privilege," Lief says. "Gilly always felt that everything — not just anything but everything — was possible."

"It was Gilly who gathered the community leadership together at the Goldberg/Shinder summer compound to identify community needs. The decision to combine the two branches of the day school, Hillel Academy, came out of that meeting. We started looking for sites, ran a well-organized campaign, and," Lief says happily, "we did it."

The agreement for the purchase of the Broadview Campus school building was entered into in 1983 during Lief's tenure as Council president. In his final act as president he presided over the Board of Trustees meeting that confirmed the agreement to purchase St. Joseph's High School.

"We were very fortunate to get the building," he says. "Before signing the agreement of purchase we wanted to ensure that there would be a donation from every single parent. The parents came through beautifully."

"Almost as soon as we got in (to Broad-

view) we were looking at the space next door and now we've got it," Lief marvels. "We've been very lucky with that property. The way things have worked out since then is amazing."

During his term as Vaad president, Lief also sat on the Board of Canadian Jewish Congress. As well, he is Legal Counsel to the David Epstein Estate and was Honorary Legal Counsel for both Camp B'nai Brith and the Ottawa Hebrew Benevolent Association.

"This is a great community and I've had tremendous satisfaction from my community involvement. It was well worth doing," Joseph Lief says. "My brother Abe calls community involvement 'paying your rent' and I agree with his assessment."

His brother — Mr. Justice Abraham H. Lief — was the 1989 recipient of the Gilbert Greenberg Distinguished Service Award.

In 1976, Joseph Lief was appointed deputy judge for the Judicial District of Carleton County (now Ontario Court General Division). He continued to act in that capacity. He was the longest sitting member of the Committee of Adjustment for the City of Ottawa, covering a 12 year period from January 1, 1967 until his retirement as chair on January 1, 1979.

Lief and his wife, the former Evelyn Sobuff, are the parents of four children: Elissa, married to David Resnick; Norman, married to Francie Greenspoon; Susan, married to Dr. Joel Raskin; and Alan, married to Ann Tokar; and the proud grandparents of Zachary and Kayla Resnick, Willy and Sam Raskin, Rachel, Abigail and Isaac Lief, and Eli Lief.

Previous Recipients of the Gilbert Greenberg Distinguished Service Award

1980: Ottawa Chevra Kadisha
1981: Lawrence Freiman*
1982: Hyman Gould*
1983: Thomas Sachs*
1984: Norman Zagerman
1985: Hy Hochberg*
1986: Sol B. Shinder
1987: Hyman Soloway
1988: Greta Cohen*
1989: Mr. Justice Abraham H. Lief
1990: Bertha and Abe Palmer
1991: Irving Greenberg*
1992: Stephen Victor
1993: Irving Rivers
1994: Chick and Rose Taylor
1995: Casey Swedlove
1996: Issie Landau*





*Deceased

Previous Recipients of the Freiman Family Young Leadership Award




1988: Barbara Farber
1989: Stephen Greenberg
1990: Morris Presser
1991: Arnon Vered
1992: Howard Osterer
1993: Elissa Lief
1994: Margo Schwartz
1995: Jeffrey Pleet
1996: Robert Greenberg

JEWISH COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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MONDAY, JUNE 2	TUESDAY, JUNE 3	WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4	THURSDAY, JUNE 5	FRIDAY, JUNE 6	SATURDAY, JUNE 7	SUNDAY, JUNE 8
Jewish Community Centre Band Practice, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 7:30 p.m.	Jewish Community Centre Yiddish Hour, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Jewish Community Centre Shir-Am, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 11:00 a.m. - 12 noon. Jewish Community Centre Drop-In Diner, Jewish Community Centre, 12 noon. Beth Shalom Congregation Lehrhaus, Beth Shalom Congregation, 151 Chapel Street, 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	Veed Ha'Ir 63rd Annual General Meeting, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 7:00 p.m. JACS, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 7:30 p.m.	Cable 22, 6:00 p.m.  CANDLELIGHTING BEFORE 8:30 PM	 CANDLELIGHTING BEFORE 8:30 PM		Hillel Lodge Auxiliary Tea, Hillel Lodge, 125 Wurttemberg St. 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Temple Israel and the Truda and Imre Rosenberg Educational Foundation 10th Annual Imre Rosenberg Lecture, Temple Israel, 1301 Prince of Wales Drive, 8:00 p.m.
MONDAY, JUNE 9	TUESDAY, JUNE 10	WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11	THURSDAY, JUNE 12	FRIDAY, JUNE 13	SATURDAY, JUNE 14	SUNDAY, JUNE 15
Hedassah-WIZO Installation of Officers and Awards Evening, Qualicum Community Centre, 7:30 p.m. Jewish Community Centre Annual Meeting, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 7:00 p.m. 39th Ottawa Scouting Movement/Israel Program Centre Israel Scout Caravan, 97, Jewish Community Campus, 881 Broadview, 7:30 p.m.	Jewish Community Centre Yiddish Hour, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Jewish Community Centre Shir-Am, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. EREV SHAVUOT	SHAVUOT	SHAVUOT  CANDLELIGHTING BEFORE 8:34 PM	 CANDLELIGHTING BEFORE 8:34 PM		Beth Shalom West Gala Dinner and Musical Evening, Leila Da Dro - Night of Gold, Beth Shalom West Congregation, 15 Charwell Avenue, 7:00 p.m.

JEWISH COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MONDAY, MAY 19	TUESDAY, MAY 20	WEDNESDAY, MAY 21	THURSDAY, MAY 22	FRIDAY, MAY 23	SATURDAY, MAY 24	SUNDAY, MAY 25
VICTORIA DAY	<p>Jewish Community Centre Yiddish Hour, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>Jewish Community Centre Shir-Am, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 11:00 a.m. - 12 noon.</p> <p>Jewish Community Centre Drop-In Diner, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 12 noon.</p> <p>Beth Shalom Congregation Lehrhaus, Beth Shalom Congregation, 151 Chapel Street, 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.</p> <p>Emanuh Women of Ottawa Mothers In Israel, Israeli Embassy, 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Jewish Community Council/Vaad Ha'Ir Board of Trustees Meeting, 151 Chapel Street, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>JACS, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>United Jewish Appeal Men and Women's Leadership Program Tour De Vaad, 5:30 p.m.</p> <p>Ottawa Talmud Torah Board Meeting, 881 Broadview Avenue, 7:30 p.m.</p>	 <p>CANDLELIGHTING BEFORE 8:02 PM</p>		<p>Hillal Academy Tea, Agudath Israel Congregation, 1400 Coldrey Avenue, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.</p> <p>Jewish Genealogy Society of Ottawa Meeting/Tour of LDS Family History Centre, 1017 Prince of Wales Drive, 7:00 p.m.</p>
MONDAY, MAY 26	TUESDAY, MAY 27	WEDNESDAY, MAY 28	THURSDAY, MAY 29	FRIDAY, MAY 30	SATURDAY, MAY 31	SUNDAY, JUNE 1
<p>Ottawa Post Jewish War Veterans of Canada Annual Dinner, Machzikel Hadas Congregation, 2310 Virginia Drive, 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>Jewish Community Centre Band Practice, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Jewish Community Centre Drop-In Diner, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 12 noon.</p> <p>Hillal Academy Golf Tournament, Canada Golf and Country Club, 12 noon.</p> <p>Beth Shalom Congregation Lehrhaus, Beth Shalom Congregation, 151 Chapel Street, 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.</p>	<p>JACS, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>Ottawa Jewish Historical Society, Jewish Artists of Ottawa, Lecture by Morton Baslaw, Agudath Israel Congregation, 1400 Coldrey Avenue, 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Jewish Family Services Cultural Event, Agudath Israel Congregation, 7:00 p.m.</p>	 <p>CANDLELIGHTING BEFORE 8:10 PM</p>		<p>United Jewish Appeal Welkathon, Jewish Community Campus, 681 Broadview Avenue, 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>Machzikel Hadas Congregation Art and Music Show, Machzikel Hadas Congregation, 2310 Virginia Drive, 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.</p> <p>Canadian Friends of Beth Hatelutsoth Annual Members' Evening "The Jewish Physician of the Renaissance: A Most Noble Profession," Speaker: Dr. Aaron Feingold, Nepean Civic Square Council Chambers, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>Cable 22, 4:00 p.m. </p>

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This information is taken from the community calendar maintained by the Jewish Community Council. Organizations which would like their events to be listed, no matter where they are to be held, should make sure they are recorded by advising Kayla Mallay, calendar co-ordinator at 789-9730 any time. We have voice mail. Accurate details must be provided.

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